

ALMA MARTIN ESTABROOK AUTHOR OF "MY COUSIN PATRICES.

SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER 1.—The story opens with a scene at a box party. Miss Henrietta Winstanley, asiete of Bishop Winstanley overhead Bester Annony propose to Bishara Hemmitian, wasse branch Dan to the town's popular young men. Dan sook of time nervousness whom Antorney Form Twinling told him Earburg refused Ankony.

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anows I don't wonder that you couldall. I think perhaps you have always known, a little—haven't you? Such things between some people don't have to be put into words. Volcing them seems somehow to rob them of sheir exquisiteness. You knew what I mean, don't you? 'I love you' sounds so empty, while it is so overflowingly replete. I fancted you felt as I did about it, dear. I was waiting, indeed, to know a little better just how you did feel. I wanted not to lose your friendship if you could not give me your love. Failing that, I was deternined to have for my own the perfect relationship that has so long endured between us and I knew I should spell it by deciaring my love for you pre-

maturely."
"Yes," she breathed. "So I never told you I loved you, Harbara, and I am telling you now that you may be sure that, little as it amounts to my devotion is yours to command, if you need it. If you can ever lean a little on it, won't you? Do, dear. I want so much to serve youif I may, at any time, in any way. No don't say anything, please. I know you would like to say something kind. bless your heart! Let me take it for granted. I'm going now.

She lifted her head, with a gesture for silence.

Some one is coming." she whis-

There were voices in the hall-Ankony's and that of his meter-in-law, and others that I did not stop to recognize. I was in a distinctly un-Ankony mood, and I caught up my ant and moved toward the side door; by that same side door had I made many exits.

Barbara followed me, her hand ex-

"Dan't go," she pleaded. "How can you desert me so"

"I would do anything else for you."
; murmured "Anything but siny."

Then I let myself out as they came down the hall, and found my way to the street through the tamiliar rose garden.

CHAPTER V.

Stehop Windtanley sent for me the pext day, flis unexpected summons came late in the afternoon, when I was very busy, and I could not answer it at once. I drove promptly to his house the moment I was released from my last engagement, but it was fate and the lights were on. He word down that he was dressing for "A Most Remarkable Document," I Ob-dinner, but that he would be glad to served. have me come directly to his dressing I went up, to find him in a rather Samboyant gown, sitting incongroupusly beside his sister's dainty little dressing table, with its pinkshaded candles.

He put down a silver-backed brush and rose to greet me. I knew him bet-ser in canonicals and breadcloth than in this blearre attire, and he rather embarrassed me; but, as usual, he was serene and apparently quite undisturbed, as U he were as accus-tomed to granting sudi-ness here as

in the state!y rooms below. They are doing over my suite while my sister is away," to ex-plained, "and I have taken possession here. Sit down, if you can find room for the pillows. Such trifling pillows an they are," with a smile. gensible a woman as my sister, she amazes me with her furbelows."

"I suppose she would call them comforts," I suggested.

"Gh. doubtless," said he. "They more like little pink and yellow porton puffs than anything that might give real comfort." He tossed a 1 finished what was so curiously souple of them out of a brocaded arm and so plainly set forth, and looked hair and, indicating it, drew up an-

placer for himself.

I hope my summons did not inconventence you, arriving at such an hour?" he remarked "But my mind bour?" he remarked "But my mind "But could such a thing be done. ans been greatly perturbed, and 1 Mr Twining"
wished to have it put at peace one "The marria way or the other. The matter upon "Certainly, sir. It would be as bind-which I wish you to advise me is one ing as one you yourself would perof exceeding delicacy and unusual

I bowed. Perhaps you know Mrs. Auson Elines," he remarked, by way of begin-

"I have the misfortune not to."

gald I. "Well, I don't know that I should out it quite like that, Mr. Twining," ag gold with a smile; "but she is cer-

tainly a most estimable person, otthink I may truthfully say—the most original and startling ideas, parties tarly as to-bet we shall touch upor that later. Mrs. Dines has long bee a friend of my slater's."

"Ah, so I recall." I interrupted Mrs. Dines was the widow whom heard Miss Winstanley speak of to the bishop the evening at the open when his glasses had been to per cistently leveled where the thoug' they ought not to be I imagine something factresting was about to b unfolded, but I was in no say pro

hady with coplous-

"Chins" supplied he gravely. "Dear me" said I.

The bishop nodded solemn'y.

our ged by something in his eyes. 'At is it possible

"Ne Dines admire 60," he rentled

i noid d. not guite understanding and waiting for that which I know would make it plain.

"hirs. Olnes is a lady of very large ments and equally generous inclinations" he continued. "A woman who his done much good and should contique to do nore. Charitable work is ber reasion. She is an enthusiast along that particular line. My sister firms in her a most beautiful and com-mendable character.

"I have often beard her called so." "There are undoubtedly many ad-table things about the lady."

"As a young woman I has one she may have been attractive," I ventured watching the blakep out of the tail o.

As a young woman," he repeated.

"And clever," said I.
He smiled "She is still clever
crough," he commented
There was a long pause, during
which his shapely fingers caressed the

ta sel of his dressing gown. "Mrs. Dines is in Airica at present," continued. "She says she dealess he continued.

to remain there indefinitely. Wishing to further to its atmost the work she has undertaken, and to be entirely un-



hampered and unharpesed by restrictions, she has sent this most remarknote proposition to my sister, who to turn has indersed it and sent it on to me with all promptness. I wish you to tell me what you think of it, sir,

He banded me a decorous-looking Comment, which I opens a with much and simple—as unadorned and simple as the lady who had indited it: Mrs. Ancon Dines, for the privilege of using the rowerful name of Binhop Charles Winstanley, would dedicate her undivided effort and her undivided on so brilliantly adorned, especially to that portion of it which she had taken under her special cure and lovthe direction there in a country so far from her home. The marriage should be performed by proxy, and listop Winstanley should continue. then and always, at perfect liberty to pursue his own helpful and shining career in his own land, and in his own manner, quite as if she did not bear

up to meet the bishop's questioning

ing as one you yourself would perform, with the parties kneeling at your own chancel and all the usual and fashionable formulae employed." "I was in doubt as to its legility the numerous technical planes that

might ensue-"It is quite within the sanction of the law.

"A triffe Irregular, however," "Under certain conditions one might

accept the irregularity," I suggested. The bished flushed delicately be neath the light of his condies. A frown drew across his smooth fore-

arrangement suggested by Mrs. Dines might not be carried out?" he asked "There is some offered by the law.

"Upon my soul, I wish you could have apprized me of some technical objection, Mr. Twining: I do indeed." he exclaimed.

lifted my brows. "Because there is a very good reason, outside the law, why no such should arrangement should be entered into.

"I should be interested to hear it If you feel disposed to speak of P.
I said politely. I was in reality consumed to know what it was,

"I believe you legal men are con-sidered deep wells into which all sorts of trouble and embarrassment may be safely poured," he remarked. "The reason will be safe with me it you care to intrust it to me. sir."

He smiled a charming smile. "It is very simple," he said: "I do no' wish to marry the lady." "Then why on earth do you consid-

er it?" I cried. "Riess your soul, I do not," he chrckled. But I thought-"

"I may have given you the Impression. Frankly, I am so newhat disturbed to know just the way out of

the absord position in which the lady encouraged doubtless by my sister has put we. It is not an easy thing to decline even such an alliance s the suggests, or. I done say you have nad no or erience—for which you may thank your stars. It is only fair, perhaps, to admit that the ladies have ome grounds for thinking I would not entirely unwilling to enter such an assembling plan. To begin with, I am 45 years o'd—old enough to have thought of matrimony if I ever expected to. Perhaps the fact that I have not thought of it has encouraged my sister and Mrs. Dines to assume that I do not mean to do so. Hence they have frankly suggested it to me. Then I have always been an admirer of Aira. Dines, who, as I have old you, is an admirable woman, and is years my senior, and they have probably considered my admiration to be devoid of reverence, which is not the case. There are besides these reasons others which I need not men tion to you, not to speak of the flaanone, which, in her zeal for her charities, my slater has not over-looked. But I cannot consider any of them. I sent for you hoping you would tell me that the Hiegality of such a step would put it out of the question. But since you cannot bely me. I must find a way of u.y own."

I smilled and held out my hard. "I am more sorry than I can tell to have failed you." I said: "but I bayen't a doubt that, left to your own devices, you will get delicately and spacly out of the uniter." He smiled back at roe, retaining my

"I think you know my sister, do you not?" he suggested, and there was a twinkle in his eyes exactly like that I recalled so vividly in Miss Winstan. ley's. I have the pleasure of knowing her

very well." I stild.

'She is a wonderful woman," he doclared. I howed.

"Did you ever have an elder sister.

Mr. Twining?" he inquired.
I regretted that I had never been so

blessed.
"Ah," said he, "that accounts for your not being an attorney general or a chief juscice," and he smilingly bowed me out.

CHAPTER VI.

"Mr. Hemingray is in the sitting

I blinked up into the reposeful countenance of my feithful and importurbable Kimmens, who stood above my bed, a lighted candle in his band, its rays over his rudily face and ruddler "Mr. Hemingray!" I repeated in

sleepy amazement.
"Mr. Dan Hemingray: yes, ch."

"What time is it?"
"A little past two, Mr. Hereingray

just came in by reafn. I think."
"These me! Well, go to bed, Kimmens. I won't need you. I'll go right in, toll Mr. Hemingray."

Kimmens went with dignity and

As I burried in Dan looked up at me from a chair in which he had sunk in an odd heap. "Sick, Dan" I acked.

"Sick to death-at heart," he

What's the matter"

He wheeled on me sharply, "You know all about it, don't youwhat I did, you know? I stopped to light the gas in my

Yes, I know, o'd fellow." There was an instant's silence. "Did Ankony tell you?"

"He made Barbara believe no one

"He told me before that. I'm sure be hasn't to'd any one else. You may depend on that, I think. He wanted—" "He wanted you to prosecute: I now. I'm a nice sort, ain't 1? What

do you think of me?" he sneered. "I think you may have been a bit weak, but that there's a bully lot of strength in you yet and that it's going to assert itself. That's what I think,

and I stretched out my hand.

He gripped it absently. "Do you know what made Ankony change his about the prosecution?"

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